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In Re Application of:)
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Art Unit: 2823)
Examiner: Thanh V. Pham)
Confirmation No: 3327)
For: METHOD OF FABRICATING DISPLAY DEVICE)

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97, Applicant hereby calls the Examiner's attention to documents listed on the attached form, which documents may be material to the examination of this application. Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.98(a)(2)(i), copies of cited US patent and US patent application publications are not submitted herewith.

ENTRY AND CONSIDERATION OF INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

In accordance with 37 CFR §1.97(d), this IDS shall be considered by the Patent Office as it is being filed before payment of the issue fee and is 1) accompanied by the following statement under §1.97(e), and 2) the fee set forth in §1.17(p):

Each item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the information disclosure statement.

REFERENCES CITED HEREIN

Japanese reference JP 11-307778 disclosed herein was cited by the Japanese Patent Office in an Office Action in counterpart Japanese application nos. 2001-013099 and 2004-315626, and mailed to Applicants on July 17, 2007. The US references listed on the enclosed 1449 form are merely the US family members of JP 11-307778, and are being included for the Examiner's benefit.

The family of JP 11-307778 cited herewith includes:

US Patent 6,466,279 B1 *

US Patent Application Publication No. US 2002/0191124 A1 *

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No inference should be drawn that the attached list sets forth a comprehensive investigation of the prior art, that any or all are pertinent to the invention, or that any apparatus disclosed is equivalent to the subject invention.

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FEE

In accordance with \$1.17(p), Applicants are submitting the required fee. If any further fee is required for this IDS, please charge our Deposit Account No. 50/1039.

CONCLUSION

As the provisions of 37 CFR \$1.97(d) have been met, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner now enter and consider this IDS.

Respectfully submitted,



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